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REMARKS

This is intended as a full and complete response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated July 21, 2005 with respect to the Response to Office Action dated June 16, 2005 filed on July 15, 2005. Claims 1-41 are pending in the application. Claims 27-41 have been withdrawn, and claims 42-57 have been cancelled. Please reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

Claims 1-41 are subject to restriction and/or election requirement. The claims have been restricted under 35 U.S.C. § 121 as follows:

- I. Claims 1-14, Species Group I.
- II. Claims 15-26, Species Group II.
- III. Claims 27-41, Species Group III.

The Examiner states that Groups I, II, and III are directed to patentably distinct species.

In response, Applicant provisionally elects Group I, claims 1-14, with traverse. Applicant submits that Groups I and II are improperly restricted. Specifically, claim 1 is a subcombination of combination claim 15. Thus, restriction as species between these two Groups is improper.

Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal or modification of the restriction requirement. Applicant further requests prosecution of Groups I and II.

Respectfully submitted,



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